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Andrew M. Pelletier et al.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 27, 2003 AND OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 29, 2003

Dear Sir:

In the Office Action mailed on July 29, 2003, the Examiner indicated that the Response to the Office Action mailed on May 27, 2003, and received on July 14, 2003, was not fully responsive. The present Response addresses the Office Action mailed on May 27, 2003 and the Office Action mailed on July 29, 2003.

Applicants hereby request a one-month extension in the statutory period for the Amendment and Response from August 27, 2003 to September 27, 2003 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136. The commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$110.00, and any statutory fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 50-2401; Order No. 31-PN-6223/YOD (GEMS:0055-1).

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As noted in the previous Response and currently included, a total of nine (9) new dependent claims have been added to the present application. It unclear whether the Office has already charged the requisite fee pursuant to the paper filed on July 10, 2003 that authorized such charge. In the event the fees have not been charged, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$ 162.00, and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Acct No. 50-2401; Order No. GEMS:0055-1 /YOD (31-PN-6223).

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for pointing out the shortcomings for the paper filed on July 10, 2003, and for that *bona fide* attempt to respond as such.